FEMA Announces Funding Awards to Prepare Communities for Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attacks

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WASHINGTON – Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) officials announced today funding awards for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2016 Program to Prepare Communities for Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attacks (CCTA Program). The CCTA Program will provide \$35.94 million to selected recipients to improve their ability to prepare for, prevent, and respond to complex coordinated terrorist attacks in collaboration with the whole community.

Terrorist incidents, such as those in London, England; Boston, Massachusetts; Nairobi, Kenya; San Bernardino, California; Paris, France; and Brussels, Belgium; highlight an emerging threat known as complex coordinated terrorist attacks.

"Attacks we have seen around the world have shown us the importance of continuing to build strong, resilient, and prepared communities," said FEMA Administrator Brock Long. "These grants will serve as a catalyst to support communities across the country to enhance resilience and continue to build capacity at the local level."

The selected recipients will receive funding specifically to develop and implement effective, sustainable, and regional approaches for enhancing preparedness for complex coordinated terrorist attacks, which include the following components: identifying capability gaps, developing and/or updating plans, training to implement plans and procedures, and conducting exercises to validate capabilities.

Applications were reviewed and scored independently by a peer review panel comprised of subject matter experts representing federal, state, local, territorial and tribal organizations that have experience and/or advanced training in complex coordinated terrorist attacks. Awards were made on a competitive basis to applicants who presented an ability to successfully meet the requirements described in the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO), taking into how well the applicant demonstrated:

A need for funding support;



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- Effective, sustainable and regional approaches;
- The proposed project's impact that presents an increase in the jurisdiction's preparedness and resilience to complex coordinated terrorist attacks once the project is implemented; and
- A reasonable and cost-effective budget.

FY 2016 CCTA Program funding is awarded to the following recipients:

- Arlington County Government (Va.): \$1,244,890
- City of Aurora (III.): \$1,373,809
- City of Chicago Office of Emergency Management and Communications (III.): \$699,502
- City of Dallas (Texas): \$925,000
- City of Houston (Texas): \$1,759,733
- City of Los Angeles Mayor's Office of Public Safety (Calif.): \$1,223,225
- City of Miami (Fla.): \$723,260
- City of Phoenix (Ariz.): \$1,565,000
- City of Winston-Salem (N.C.): \$1,868,050
- Durham County (N.C.): \$931,500
- East-West Gateway Council of Governments (III./Mo.): \$1,474,716
- Franklin County (Ohio): \$829,725
- Galveston County (Texas): \$976,896
- Hawaii Department of Defense (Hawaii): \$492,800
- Illinois Emergency Management Agency (III.): \$1,214,024
- Indiana Department of Homeland Security (Ind.): \$2,024,833
- King County (Wash.): \$1,516,723
- Knox County (Tenn.): \$536,250
- Maryland Emergency Management Agency (Md.): \$2,098,575
- Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority (D.C./Va.): \$595,098
- Mid-America Regional Council (Mo.): \$2,251,502
- New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (N.Y.): \$1,379,048
- San Bernardino County (Calif.): \$1,334,751
- South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (S.C.): \$1,530,020
- South East Texas Regional Planning Commission (Texas): \$1,076,336
- Texas Department of Public Safety (Texas): \$659,556
- Unified Fire Authority of Greater Salt Lake (Utah): \$1,043,800
- Virginia Department of Emergency Management (Va.): \$2,001,568
- Wisconsin Emergency Management (Wis.): \$589,810



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